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PRESIDENT'S DESK



Well its been two years since I have been President and I must say it has been a good two years for me, with only a few minor problems. I won't say it has been easy, as no President's job is easy trying to keep everyone happy, but I sure have tried. I also had to do my editors job on the TEC NEWS. Although Al and I have worked long hours, we made it. The main thing was in getting the TEC NEWS out on time, which

Al and I have done for the past four years. I can't say you all got the TEC NEWS on time, as with 3rd class mail and the way the postal service is run is no fault of ours. All the TEC NEWS were brought to the postoffice on the same day, yet almost every state got thiers at a different time.

I would like to thank all the members who have been writing articles for us. Without your help we could not have had the good luck we did have with the TEC NEWS so far. Please don't stop now and keep sending those articles in. Got any good stories about elongated coins? Lets hear about it. Or let us know if you have exhibited anywhere so we can put it under 'Notes of Interest'.

This year is election year and most of the officers will be running for re-election. All members will receive their ballot, so will you please vote and send your ballot back to the Secretary. The ballots will not be opened until they are counted in California, before the TEC meeting.

At this time I would like to thank all my officers for the help they have given me through out the two years. A special thanks goes to Lloyd E. Wagaman, Ruby Threlkeld and my husband Al for the extra special things these people have done in helping me in the past two years. Although Bob Luchtman has not been an officer, I would also like to give him a special thanks too, for all the help he has given.

Al and I are getting things ready for California and I hope to meet many of the California members out there.

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PRESIDENT'S DESK

Many of the TEC members that are going to California would like to see some of California, that we read so much about. So those of you that have a car and would like to take some of the members for a ride around the city, let me know. I just hope its not too hot out there.

As far as I know our TEC meeting will be held on a Friday afternoon at 2 P.M., subject to change. As yet I have no idea of where we will hold it, as I was told some of the meetings will be held in other hotels too. We will know more when we get to the convention. So when you get to the convention see me for the time and place. I will check this out before August, but it will be too late to put this in the July issue of TEC NEWS. I will be easy to find. Just look in the lobby where the crowd is, as sooner or later all the TEC members gather around. So come on down and join the crowd and say hello to the TEC members.

So thanks again folks for a happy two years and God bless you.

Respectfully submitted,
Sally Kirka, President

THE ELUSIVE ELONGATED SEARCH

by Richard Townsend TEC #365
Rochester, N.Y.

Shortly after I obtained a copy of Dottie Dow's book *The Elongated Collector*, I began a search for one particular elongated coin. The search lasted nearly six years and it came to a successful conclusion last year, in Miami Beach at the American Numismatic Association convention. Wow, what a feeling to find the elongated coin I have been looking for all these years.

The elongated coin is the coin with the map of the United States on it. Dow XXX-19. I was intrigued with the photo in the book. For what reason I can't explain, but the search was on. I saw one not long after I started my search at a local coin show, but the elongated coin looked as if it had been chewed up by a threshing machine and the hole had been enlarged greatly destroying the Pacific Ocean.

Several more of these elongated coins turned up in the next couple years, although I began to suspect that it was the same elongated coin being passed from dealer to dealer. As when I looked the coin over it had the same enlarged hole. Also the price was rising each time I saw it and it was now \$10.00.

In late 1973, a near perfect coin showed up. It had a small hole and very sharp features, unfortunately the price was still going higher, it was now \$16.00. By now I was really ready to give up, but I thought I'll wait a little longer.

At the 3rd day of the ANA convention in Miami, I saw a dealer had a display of elongated coins in a show case and lo and behold, There was my map. It was unholed and perfect in every detail! The price was an unbelievable \$2.00, needless to say, I grabbed it fast! My persistence had paid off at last. Now I'm looking for Dow N.Y. ROC-1 and I hope it won't take me as long to find this one. Can anyone out there help me?

Don't forget our TEC meeting, Friday August 22nd in Los Angeles, Cal.

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE
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The opinions written in the articles, in the TEC NEWS are not necessarily those of the editor, or the officers of the TEC Club. The editor reserves the right to edit articles as deemed necessary. Articles unsigned will not be used. Short articles are preferred. Long articles will be put in two parts or put in when there is space for them. The entire contents of articles sent to the editor become the property of TEC and will not be returned and none are to be re-printed, in whole or in part without written permission of the editor.

Photos sent in with articles or ads must be sent to us already screened for printing, as our budget does not allow for this screening process. Sharp and clear newspaper photos can be used as these have already been screened for printing, and if they are not to large. Derogatory articles will not be printed.

NOTICE!**ALL ADVERTISERS**

New rates are now in effect for ads in TEC NEWS as passed by board action in Miami, Florida, August 14, 1974

Price of "Camera ready" copy to remain the same, but if set up by editor, which will be a typewriter set-up with no art work, the price for ads will be doubled.

Camera ready- Full page ad \$10.00, $\frac{1}{2}$ page \$6.00, $\frac{1}{4}$ page \$3.50

Editor setup- Full page ad \$20.00, $\frac{1}{2}$ page \$12.00, $\frac{1}{4}$ page \$7.00

DEADLINE NOTICE**DEADLINE DATES FOR NEXT ISSUE**

Ads - Aug. 2nd

Articles - Aug. 6th

CANDIDATES NOMINATED FOR OFFICE

President - - - - Sally Kirka #16
Vice-Pres. - - Ruby Threlkeld #202
Secretary - - - - Al Kirka #450
Treasurer - - Chester Grabowski #512

BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Harold Anderson #483 - - -
Richard Townsend #365 - -
John Gubata #666 - - - -

ARTICLES BY CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR OFFICE

Sally Kirka #16

Nominated for President

I'm Sally Kirka and I have been your President for the past two years and have been the TEC NEWS editor for the past four years. I have accepted the nomination to run for President and will work hard for TEC as I have been doing in the past. It hasn't been easy to please everyone, but I go out of my way to try. If elected I will work just as hard as I have been doing in the past. Most of all I will get the TEC NEWS out four times a year. This is a must, as without TEC NEWS, there would be no TEC. That is why you the members, can help me by sending in your articles. So keep them coming.

The last year has been a rough year for me when the flu bug got me down and then I got a blood clot in my leg, but I still got your TEC NEWS out. You'd be surprised at ways you find to do things that have to be done when you are sick and they always manage to get done.

Next year is a big year for "The Elongated Collectors" and I have a few plans which I will tell you more about in the October issue of TEC NEWS. With the 10th anniversary of TEC next year we want to make that year a memorable one. We would like to hold a banquet, if the A.N.A. approves the idea. I will talk this over with the A.N.A. as soon as I can.

If elected I will work hard as I have done in the past and will try to please all. To those that think I get paid for being editor, I want to say the only pay I get is the few kind words I get in my letters from the members, every once in a while.

I am a member of the ANA, IOWMC, CCCC, HNS, MEC, CCE, MNS, TSCC, MCC, FRICC, CONE, SPAN, QVCC, PCC and a few others around the country. I now hold an office in about ten of these clubs. Most of these jobs are taken care of the night of the meeting, so these jobs do not interfere with my TEC job.

Ruby Threlkeld #202

Nominated for Vice-President

I'm Ruby Threlkeld of La Marque, Texas and am a charter member of The Elongated Collectors. I have been collecting elongated coins for over fifteen years now. I enjoy all elongated coins, but especially all the coins that honor special events, or people.

I am deeply honored for being nominated for Vice-President and will do my best to do a good job helping the President. Most of all I will answer all my business letters at once, as this is a must as an officer.

For the past two years I have served on the Board of Directors of The Elongated Collectors and have also been the TEC historian for the past two years. Since then I have started a TEC history book and have collected many articles about TEC, pictures, coins etc, for the book and the TEC archives.

I am a charter member of three other coin clubs and a member of four different wooden money clubs. I am now 1st Vice-President of the International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors. Have also

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Ruby Threlkeld

Nominated for Vice-President
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served as Secretary, Treasurer, Historian and Vice-President of the many clubs I belong to.

So if I am elected I will do my best to help the club and will work with all the officers. I do not mind hard work, and can always find the time to answer my business letters. Thank you again for being nominated and like I said, I will really work hard for The Elongated Collectors if elected.

Al Kirka #450

Nominated for Secretary

I'm Al Kirka of Manchester, Connecticut and I've been your TEC Secretary for the past two years and also have been co-editor of the TEC NEWS with my wife Sally Kirka. I have accepted the nomination to run again for the next two years. If elected I will work hard as I have done in the past. Most of all I will take care of my Secretary's work at once.

I am a member of the New England Numismatic Association, The Hartford Numismatic Society, Central Conn. Coin Club, Tri-State Coin Club and a few others around Connecticut, Rhode Island and New York. I recently was elected Secretary of a new club we just started and its called the Manchester Coin Club. Have been the bourse chairman of one of our coin clubs for the past five years, I'm not an officer in every club, but I can tell you that I work behind the scenes in most all of them.

Since starting collecting elongated coins over ten years ago I have become more interested in collecting through out the years. I have now a nice collection of some very nice elongated coins and a few rare ones. I also exhibit with my wife Sally whenever I can and we have lots of fun trying to see which one will get the most points. We don't always win, but we have fun trying.

Thank you for nominating me again and if elected as Secretary of TEC again, I promise to do my best to keep all the TEC Secretaries records in order and will take care of all necessary correspondence promptly.

Chester Grabowski #512

Nominated for Treasurer

I'm Chester Grabowski of Rockville, Connecticut and I have been your TEC Treasurer for the past two years. I have accepted the nomination to run again for the office of Treasurer. I will work hard as I have in the past two years and will keep a monthly record of all money and bills for TEC. As of now I give a monthly report to the Secretary to make sure our books are kept up to date.

I am the past president of the Southern New England Coin Dealers Association and am now the Vice-president of the M.C.C. I'm also a member of the C.C.C.C., MNS, N.E.N.A., TEC, IOWMC and the ANA for the past 15 years.

If elected I will work hard for TEC and won't let the club down. Thank you for nominating me again.

My quest for early Worlds Fair elongated coins has been rather successful in the last six months. During this time I have located 14 elongated coins which I did not have in my collection.

Early issues, such as Worlds Fair, County Fairs, Centennials and U.S. Presidents are among my favorite elongated coins. Most of these

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Chester Grabowski #512

Nominated for Treasurer
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elongated coins I have purchased at Flea markets, antique shows and coin shows in the New England area. Some unusual finds of mine were an elongated used as a lady's pin, another as a stick pin for a tie and one that was used for a key chain. All of these were Worlds Fair elongated coins.

Although I collect other numismatic material, I enjoy collecting elongated coins, because there's a wide variety of them to select from. I'm especially interested in the new bicentennial issue that are being made lately.

John Gubata #666

Nominated for Board of Directors

My name is John Gubata and I have accepted the nomination to run for a Director in TEC. I will work hard for TEC and will work with all the officers if I am elected. Most of all I will work with the President and will do all that I'm asked to do. I have met many of the TEC members at the last two conventions.

I live in what is considered a quaint New England town in North Grosvenor Dale, Conn. situated in the north-eastern part of Conn. I first saw the light of day in a small country town in Rhode Island called Artic. At the age of seven I moved into the "big city" of Providence. It was in those early years, that I started to collect stamps and was instrumental in starting a stamp club in grammar school. When I started my first job as a paperboy, I began to cultivate an interest in coin collecting. Meeting people as a paperboy was an easy way to get coins, just by mentioning "coin collecting", in a conversation, which is a practice I find still works for me today.

My curiosity in the strange and unusual has made me an avid collector. I started to collect elongated coins when our President Sally Kirka started to exhibit her elongated coins at some of the clubs we both belong to. I have seen many of her exhibits and have seen her slides on elongated coins. I enjoyed it all and started collecting them. I collect for the sheer joy of being able to enrich my various hobbies by going to coin shows, coin shops and flea markets, always on the look out for that elusive bargain for an elongated coin. My greatest joy is to be able to share my interest and little knowledge with other people. My hobbies have made it possible for me to make friends with and meet some very interesting people from all over the country.

I moved to Connecticut ten years ago and became active in the local coin clubs. I'm President of the Quinnebaug Valley Coin Club and past President and now Vice President of the Tri-State Coin Club of Conn. Would you believe that Sally Kirka is the President of the same club now. I am also a member of N.E.N.A., TEC, IOWMC, and a charter member of the Franklin Mint Collectors Society.

I graduated from the Mount Pleasant High School and the New England Technical Institute in Providence. I'm employed as a service and sales manager in a television store. I spent four years in the Seebes and was stationed on various Islands in the South Pacific.

I see Al and Sally Kirka about four or five times a month and if I am elected would work hard to help them out with any thing in case I would be needed. Thank you for nominating me.

Harold Anderson #483

Nominated for Board of Directors

I am Harold Anderson of Caro, Michigan, a TEC member for the last few years and I'm now serving on the Board of Directors. I have been a coin collector and have been collecting elongated coins for about 13 years or longer.

I have been an officer in many of the clubs that I have belonged to. I'm a past President of the International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors and have also served as Vice President and a Board of Directors of the same club. I am also now a Michigan State District Representative for the American Numismatic Association. I am also now the President of the Michigan State Numismatic Society for the next two years and have served as their 1st and 2nd Vice President too.

I have always been interested in elongated coins and have a nice collection of them. One of these days I hope I can exhibit at the American Numismatic Association Convention too. Right now I'm thinking of an idea to exhibit at some of the coin shows around Michigan.

I have just retired as a Cemetery Superintendent and now have a part time job. I have been married to a wonderful woman, my wife Alice another TEC member, for the last 35 years. I have three wonderful children and have seven grandchildren to keep us happy.

I will be happy to serve as a Board of Director if elected and will serve to the best of my ability. I will also help the President in any way that I can. I also promise to answer all my letters to the president at once.

Richard Townsend #365

Nominated for Board of Directors

I'm Richard Townsend of Rochester, New York and am honored to be nominated for the election to "The Elongated Collectors" Board of Directors. I would welcome the opportunity to work hard for the good of "The Elongated Collectors", in what ever capacity that I can.

I have been a T.E.C. member since 1968 and am happy to be a member so long. That's the year that the elongated coin bug got me and I was hooked on collecting elongated coins ever since. It is a very interesting hobby for the young and old. At the present time I have over 1500 elongated coins in my collection and I'm proud of each and everyone. I have most of Dottie Dow's and Lloyd Wagemans. A hobby can be fun, if you make it so as our President said many times. So I really enjoy my hobby of collecting elongated coins.

I am also a member of the American Numismatic Association and have been going to their conventions for the last seven or eight years and I intend to go to California this year too. So I hope to see most of you there.

I am also a member of T.A.M.S., I.O.W.M.C., and S.P.A.N., as well as several other clubs in my area. Promises are somewhat suspect these days, but I do promise to do the best possible job I can if I'm elected. I understand the hard work ahead and will help with everything asked of me by the President. Most of all I too will answer all the business letters to the President, as this is the only way we can work together for the good of TEC.

Got any good articles for TEC NEWS? Don't wait, send them in now. We can always use them. A club like TEC that only meets once a year needs a publication like TEC NEWS to keep it active. Write today.

THE 1975 PROMOTIONAL AWARD - by Lloyd Wagaman



As of this writing (May 11) the 1975 nickels still have not been released. Coins will be rolled and mailed out as soon as the nickels become available. Each coin will be serial numbered and you will definitely receive the coin or coins you have earned. These coins

could be rolled on opposite side of coin so that the date of the nickel doesn't show and that way could be rolled on any date nickels. However we believe most collectors would prefer to wait in order to have the 1975 date.

Awards #28 thru #30 and #59 thru #65 are for promotion other than TEC NEWS articles. Awards #31 thru #58 are for articles published in April-May-June issue of TEC NEWS.

Awards listed as follows:-

28 - Don Gordon (non member)	- - - - -	Speaking
29 - Thomas Izzo	- - - - -	Display
30 - C.J. Meccarello #40	- - - - -	Speaking
31 - From the Presidents Desk	- - - - -	Sally Kirka #16
32 - Help us to please you	- - - - -	Al Kirka #450
33 - How I Started Collecting Elongateds	- - - - -	Gary E. Glise #664
34 - Greetings from Hawaii	- - - - -	Kazuma Oyama #663
35 - Elongated Coins - Then and Now	- - - - -	Ruby Threlkeld #202
36 - Membership Promotion	- - - - -	Eric Goodwin #520
37 - Mini Philatelic Numismatic Covers	- - - - -	Sally Kirka #16
38 - Still Looking	- - - - -	Paul Aubry #417
39 - The year has just begun	- - - - -	Harold Anderson #483
40 - Christmas and Elongated Coins	- - - - -	Verlee Waterman #525
41 - Elongated Coins - A Legacy of Love	- - - - -	Betty C. Stevens #272
42 - Christmas Elongated Coins	- - - - -	Sally Kirka #16
43 - Have you Moved Lately?	- - - - -	Sally Kirka #16
44 - Morton Grove Coin Club Elongated	- - - - -	Richard G. Mulfinger #517
45 - They're out there somewhere	- - - - -	Doug Sullivan #637
46 - Elongates - Gold to Small Cent Collectors	- - - - -	Theo Steinhauer #659
47 - My Favorite Modern Elongated Coin	- - - - -	Don Finch #594
48 - Elongation Fever	- - - - -	Harold J. Hessenthaler #656
49 - Flatties	- - - - -	Edward Mazurek #647
50 - I Have not yet Begun to Collect	- - - - -	Jim McQuiston #652
51 - The Richard M. Nixon Series	- - - - -	Lloyd E. Wagaman #33
52 - My Story about Elongateds	- - - - -	Laura S. Gore #114
53 - An Afternoon with Sally and Al	- - - - -	P.W. Ott #581
54 - Bogus or Re-rolled Elongateds	- - - - -	Lloyd E. Wagaman #33
55 - The Elongated Reverse	- - - - -	L.C. Lamoreaux #522
56 - So Happy to Belong to the Club	- - - - -	Barbara Izzo #662
57 - The Beautifully Engraved Coin	- - - - -	Sally Kirka #16
58 - Of all the Places	- - - - -	C. Meccarello #40
59 - Jerry Bates #555	- - - - -	Speaking & Display
60 - David Singer #423	- - - - -	Published Article
61 - Jimmie McQuiston #652	- - - - -	Display
62 - Frank Galindo #672	- - - - -	Display
63 - Burton Neal Levy #499	- - - - -	Speaking & Slide Program
64 - James W. Dick (non-member)	- - - - -	-Speaking & Display
65 - Frank Galindo #672	- - - - -	Display

HAWAIIAN ELONGATEDS

by Kazuma Oyama TEC #663
Wahiawa, Hawaii

A few days ago I was browsing in the department store where my wife works. I chanced upon a stack of booklets on the counter where the store sells their packaged postage stamps and supplies. One of the booklets was titled "Hawaiian Money and Medals" so I bought the book. It happened to be a first (and so far only) edition published in 1967, and written by Gordon Medcalf and Robert Fong.

Mr. Medcalf is the owner of Island Coins Exchange, a stamp and coin shop in Honolulu's Ala Noana Shopping Center and has other numismatic publications to his credit. He hopes to have a revised and updated "Hawaiian Money and Medals" published this year. The current booklet covers all phases of Hawaiian numismatics including tokens, wooden money and elongated coins, so it should be of interest to many TEC members. This booklet lists the "Crazy Carter's" coin mentioned in "Notes of Interest" (page 15) of the April - June TEC NEWS. A complete list of elongateds described in the booklet is as follows: (capitalized letters are inscriptions on the pieces).

1. ALOHA HAWAII. Diamond Head scene with ocean. Copper cent.
2. HAWAII ANNEXED 1898, Aloha Tower, Hawaii flags in background. Impressed on Honolulu Transit token.
3. ALOHA TOWER, THE EVER WELCOMING GREETING OF HONOLULU, HAWAII. Copper cent.
4. CRAZY CARTER'S ALOHA TOKENS AND MEDALS, BOX 6274 HONOLULU, HAWAII. HAWAIIAN STORE CARD. Copper cent. 4a. nickel.
5. V DEC. 7, 41, HAWAII. Copper cent.
6. ALOHA HAWAII. Hula girl with palm tree. Mountain in the background. Copper cent.
- 6a. Same as #6, only palm tree crosses the mountain.
7. IDOL OF HAWAII, UA MAU KE EA O KA AINA I KA POWO. Statue of Kamehameha I. ALOHA, large letters. Copper cent.
- 7a. Small letters. Arm touches letters.
- 7b. Small letters. Arm does not touch letters.
8. REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR, V. DEC. 7, 1941. ALOHA HAW. Coconut tree and grass hut. Copper cent.
9. REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR. FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT. 1933-45, LOHA. Bust of Roosevelt. Copper cent.

Mr. Gordon Medcalf has kindly consented to the use of the above extract from his book. Thank you Mr. Medcalf.

(Editors Note;- It would be nice if Mr. Oyama would keep in touch with Mr. Medcalf and let us know when his next book will be out. Also the price of the book and the postage to be sent for this book. I have already written to Mr. Oyama for Mr. Medcalf's address, so members can order his first book if they want to. There are also a few other elongated coins of Hawaii that Mr. Medcalf does not have in his book yet. If I hear from Mr. Oyama, I will put Mr. Medcalf's address in the "Notes of Interest" page. If not it will be in the next issue.)

A NOTE TO KAZ

A note to my Irish friend Mr. O'Yama from Wahiawa, Hawaii. Thank you for the lessons you have been giving me in Japanese writing. I also want to say ありがとう, おいしく, おいしく and I hope it reads what I want it to say.

Your friend from Conn. Sally Kirka

DO YOU KNOW THE OFFICIAL LOGO OF THE SAN -by Michael Pender TEC #281
DIEGO PANAMA CALIFORNIA EXPOSITION OF 1915 Garden City, N.Y.

For over a year now I have been working on the designs for my limited edition (300 cents and 10 sets) world's fair anniversary elongated coin series. As far as possible I have been trying to use the official logo of each fair as the central theme of the elongated design. In addition the dates, city and anniversary number are shown. In the case of more recent events this does not cause too many problems. Events such as the two New York world's fairs, Seattle, San Antonio, Spokane, Osaka, Montreal and the Chicago Century of Progress all had logos which were widely used.

In the case of older events such as New York's Crystal Palace, St. Louis' Louisiana Purchase, etc. the determination of an official logo does not seem to be that easy. After searching through reams of post cards, catalogs, maps, brochures, and guide books I sometimes find I am at a loss to decide what to use on the coins. In the case of the 1904 St. Louis Fair I ended up using a map of the United States with an outline of the Louisiana Purchase territory (similar to the design of one of the US postage stamps issued for this event). In the case of the 1853 exhibition I used a view of the Crystal Palace theme building as the center of my elongated design.

Thirteen of the twenty fair anniversaries planned for honor in this series have now been issued. The next two, Osaka's Expo 70 and Spokane's Expo 74, are simple. Their logos are current and well known to all collectors. Both of these elongateds will be issued later this summer.

However I could use some advice and counsel from TEC members relative to the last five elongateds in the series. These five are planned to honor the following events:

San Diego's California-Pacific, 1935	40th Anniversary
San Diego's Panama-California, 1915	60th Anniversary
Portland's Lewis and Clark, 1905	70th Anniversary
Buffalo's Pan American, 1901	75th Anniversary
Philadelphia's Centennial, 1876	100th Anniversary

If anyone has information as to the official logo's for these fairs I would certainly appreciate receiving copies of the logos or information as to the whereabouts of the official documentation. In fact I will send a complimentary elongated for that fair to the person submitting the first postmarked copy of the official logo for any of the above mentioned five fairs.

Information on how to order individual specimens or complete sets of these world's fair elongateds is included in a full page ad elsewhere in this issue of TEC NEWS. It should be noted that a special discount is available to TEC members if they suscribe to the full series on a prepaid basis. (\$17.50 for any series of 20)

NOTICE

A special thanks goes to Ruby Threlkeld for donating the scrap books and pages to TEC for the TEC History and TEC Archives scrap books. Mrs Threlkeld has made a beautiful scrap book, full of TEC articles about TEC members from other publications. She has also filled one book with pictures of TEC members. Anyone having any pictures of themselves, or of their exhibits, please send them to Ruby Threlkeld. This book will be brought to the convention. Also coins relating to TEC and donated for the TEC Archives will be appreciated. Thanks again from Ruby and the TEC president and its officers and members.

MY FIRST ELONGATED CENT

by Marvin Burnette TEC #565
St. Louis, Mo.

Hi folks, do you recall buying your first rolled cent? We all know that was the name kids gave this odd shaped cent, not as fancy as the title "Elongated Coin", the name we collectors use now. I bought my first elongated cent when I was at that wonderful carefree age of twelve years old during the summer of 1923. Spending money in those times was not to be had just for the asking. So I did any and all kinds of odd jobs after school, such as in the winter months, I chopped fire wood and carried in coal for the heating stoves. During the summer I was busy cutting grass with the old style hand mower. When Saturday came I had a pocket of small change, sometimes I had as much as seventy-five cents or a dollar. Boy, was I rich.

During the summer of 1923 a large carnival came to my neighborhood, just three blocks away on a lot that is now the Coca-Cola Bottling Co., at Garrison & North Market. My first visit to this carnival was on a Saturday evening because I had a pocket of loose change, about one dollar. I was like all the boys of that age, I did a lot of window shopping around the whole carnival grounds just watching other people, tossing the rings, tipping the milk bottles and other games of chance not skill. During my many trips around the carnival, I noticed one man who had set up a small place in between the guy ropes of two tents. As I went closer toward him I noticed that he had set up on a table or wooden horse, a gadget that looked to me to be a old style hand clothes wringer, but much smaller. As I came closer this man called out to me, "Come on Buddy Boy, give me one of your pennies and for only a nickel more I will roll it out to look like a egg with the Lord's Prayer on the back side. Come on Buddy, don't be cheap or a piker, spend your money." Of course at the age of twelve I was a little afraid of spending that large amount of money for a trinket, because for a whole nickel I could have a long ride on the ferris wheel, or the merry-go-around. After quite a spell of teasing and half begging by this man I parted with the six cents of my hard earned money. Boy-O-Boy, I sure am happy now that I spent that large amount of my money.

So Folks, that is how I got my first elongated cent. This Lord's Prayer elongated was rolled on a 1920 Lincoln cent, which I still have today among special treasures. Do you remember when and where you found your first rolled cent.

Editors note:- A very interesting article, lets hear from other members as to how they got their first elongated cent, or rolled out pennies. Lets see how far back we can go to see when a member got his first elongated coin. Maybe your father or mother got one earlier, so lets hear about that too. This is a good idea to write about.

NOTICE

We need some good ideas on what members would like to do for our 10th anniversary TEC meeting in New York in 1976. We are already thinking of having a TEC banquet, but we will have to have permission from the ANA, or let them know of this. This we will do as soon as possible. Also would like to hear from rollers that are going to make a special coin for this event. We have a few other ideas we have thought of, but will let you know more about this in the October issue of TEC NEWS.

ROCKVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

In April I gave a talk and showed slides at the Rockville High School, in Rockville, Connecticut, where my nephew and a TEC member Richard Grabowski was teaching classes in numismatics. This is the first time this has been done in any of the high schools around here that I know of. The first thing that Richard did was to ask Al and I to put on a program of our elongated coins for the class. This we were happy to do as I'm always glad to show the slides and exhibit my elongated coins to any clubs, whenever I have the time.

I made up two show cases of a few of the different elongated coins I had, also brought over the books on elongated coins that I had. I brought in a few of Lloyd E. Wagaman's books and passed them around to those who showed an interest in starting a collection of elongated coins. Some of the folks had already seen my exhibits, at the S.N.E.C.D.A. Coin Show in Hartford, Connecticut. I also brought a few of my different special P.N.Covers to show them. I was surprised how many were interested in them. Some wanted to buy them right then and there. I would never part with any of them, as many of them were given to me when very few were made. I'm proud of those special ones given to me and I'd never part with them. The one special P.N.Cover I really am proud of is, Lloyd and Alberta's 25th anniversary cover. I don't mind showing it off in my exhibit, as I know its one of the rare ones I have.

Al and I first explained to the group, what we had in the show cases and then showed the slides, which really gives a better idea of the elongated coins. I have Lloyd E. Wagaman making an elongated coin from start to finish and this always proves very interesting to the people watching the slides.

After the program I gave out elongated coins to everyone in the class. We then had a few minutes to answer questions. Sometimes from the questions asked, I even learned from them. Sometimes those that see the coins for the first time give me some new ideas on how to do something better. So the evening spent at the Rockville High School, was an evening well spent, showing off our elongated coins.

So if anyone has a chance to give a talk about their coins, why not do it and then write and tell us about it. It will prove quite an experience to all.

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HUNTING AN UNKNOWN ROLLER

by Eric Goodwin TEC #520
Santa Ana, Calif.



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In April of this year all 550 students and teachers at my school boarded 11 buses for an all day trip to Marineland, 50 miles away. Marineland is a recreational center on the Palos Verdes Peninsula, southwest of Los Angeles, where there are large pools with performing whales and porpoises. Immediately upon arriving I began inquiring if any elongated coins had been rolled there and was informed a roller had been there during the past Easter Week. A manager of one of the concessions had a holed elongated coin, with an engraved whale on his key chain. He was kind enough to sell it to me for 25¢ and I gave him several elongated coins I had rolled. He also told me the roller's name and that the man was from San Francisco. Also the roller had several designs on his machine including one from Busch Gardens, another recreation spot near Los Angeles. I have been trying to get one of the Busch Gardens elongated coins for several years. I am now in the process of having a friend in San Francisco try to find the man who rolled the coins, so that I can buy some of each of his designs.

The Marineland elongated coin was well designed and beautifully engraved, but instead of keeping it I have sent it to a friend. I hope this unknown roller is also the one who has rolled coins at the Indio Date Festival and for whom I have been searching for several years.

(Editors note:- If you hear more about this unknown roller, please let us all know more about him. Its interesting to hear more about him. Also try to get him to join TEC.

A LETTER TO OUR PRESIDENT

by Frank Galindo TEC #672
San Antonio, Texas

I want to thank you for the information you had provided me for my exhibit on elongated coins. This was the first time we have ever had an exhibit at any coin show. The show was the Texas Numismatic Association's annual state convention held in Dallas. We left on the 10th and returned on the 13th. My elongated coin exhibit was entitled "Apollo Space Flights" and was classified in the miscellaneous category. The award's breakfast was held on Sunday morning. After the breakfast the winners were announced. My exhibit won second place, and I received a very nice silver tray. By adding some additional information, I think I might have a good chance for a first place in the future. Anyhow I will give it a concerted effort.

My wife and I also entered two other exhibits. In the tokens category I won a first place and in the non-negotiable currency category, we also won a first place. We feel very fortunate to have received three awards in our first competition at any level.

We bought several elongated coins and some were at very reasonable prices. Incidentally, we met a dealer named Mr. Dempsey from Fort Lauderdale, Florida. After the breakfast, he came over to congratulate me, and he said, "Be sure and send Sally Kirka the story!" We also met another dealer named Richard Montford from Lakeside, Arizona. He said he was also a member of TEC. He had a copy of the Dottie Dow elongated coin book, which we got to look at for the first time. A very interesting book.

NOTES OF INTEREST

Congratulations are in order to Ed Black, one of our TEC members on being appointed to the Assay Commission this year. I think TEC is doing well in that direction as we have had a few members of TEC on the Assay Commission for the last few years.

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George Hatie one of our TEC members is running for President of the A.N.A. this year. Also Maurice Gould and Kurt Krueger are running for a seat on the Board of Directors of the ANA. We wish you luck men. All you ANA members, don't forget to vote and don't forget our TEC members while you are voting. They need your help to win.

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John Spadone had another coin made with ten names on it and has sent 200 coins for TEC, donated from the ten names on the coin. As yet I don't know if we will give this coin out at the TEC meeting, or order more coins to give out to all the members with the October issue of TEC NEWS. Its a beautiful idea on the coin with Paul Revere and a space ship and TEC 10th anniversary on it. The ten names on the coin which should be thanked are, Spadone, Threlkeld, Aubry, Krueger, Trinny, Meccarello, Wilcox, Adams, Grabowski and Kirka. A special thanks to all.

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Congratulations to Chester M. Rogers on being appointed the Grand Marshall of the Grand Lodge in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

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Sally Kirka exhibited her P.N. Covers at the Central Conn. Coin Club of Manchester, Conn. at their April 13th coin show and received a trophy on her exhibit.

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Congratulations are also in order to Pearl M. Crabb. Bill Henderson in behalf of the C.S.N.S. surprised Pearl Crabb by presenting her with the clubs Distinguished Service Award. This award consisted of a beautiful trophy, containing a gold plated Eisenhower dollar and ornately engraved by Don Knapp. In addition to the trophy, an appropriate framed citation was presented, which in part Read: "No other person within the Rocky Mountain States has been a greater exponent of collecting elongates than yourself. You have provided education in a field of numismatics that has proven to be enlightening and entertaining.

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I hope many of you folks that are also members of the ANA are going to exhibit their elongated coins at the convention. I'd like to see many more exhibits at the convention this year. So members out in California, get busy on an exhibit before its to late. Remember TEC also gives the Henry Blaha Memorial Award for the best elongated coin exhibit at the ANA convention.

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New issues out by Dr. Rodney Baker are, the city of Winters coin is 50¢ each and a limited edition of 250 dimes will be rolled at \$2.50 each. There are also two church coins which will be sold at a \$1.00 each. The proceeds from the city coin goes to the Chamber of Commerce for a new town hall and the proceeds of the other coins goes to the Church. Those wishing to order the coins can do so by writing to Dr. Rodney Baker, c/o Day's Pharmacy, 100 Main St., Winters, California 95694. The coins are very nice, for those wishing to know a little more about them.

NOTES OF INTEREST

A special thanks goes to Arthur Fry of Xenia, Ohio for sending us about a 100 large 9x12 envelopes. These will be used for the extras we have to mail out for TEC. They sure will come in handy. So thanks again Mr. Fry.

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Barbara Izzo exhibited all her elongated coins in April and got some high points from a couple of the judges. Keep trying Barbara and you'll win one of these days. Anyhow its good to show off your coins whenever you can. Good luck on your next try.

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John Wilcox sent me one of the coins that were made for the Mail Carriers Convention. The coin is real nice. These coins are going to be sold at the convention only in New Jersey. I am one of the lucky ones to get one. Maybe Jack will tell us more about this coin if there are any left.

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A special thanks to Don Finch for sending me two nice coins to give out at the TEC meeting as door prizes and also a special thanks to Abe Gefter for sending in the coins that he did for door prizes. Anyone else who cares to donate coins to be used as door prizes for the TEC meeting in California, please do so at once. All donations will be appreciated by me. I still have a few left from last year and these will be used too. Last year we were rushed out of the meeting room as some one else was going to have a meeting in an hour, so we were really rushed.

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George Wanzug gave a 15 minute talk at the Warren Coin Club on the history of "The Elongated Cent" and the organization devoted to the collecting and study of elongated coins, namely T.E.C. After the talk he displayed and passed around several coins for examination. The members wanted to feel the raised engraving on the coins. This was followed by a question and answer period. George also passed TEC application blanks for hopeful members. This program was well received and George was given a nice round of applause and thanked for the talk on numismatic information on elongated coins.

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Doug Fairbanks Sr. wrote a nice article on "The Elongated Coin" which appeared in the newsletter named "Jack". It was a very interesting article. I will pass this on for our TEC scrapbook.

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Mr. Oyama wrote me that the first book of Mr. Madcaff of Hawaii is all sold out. It had a few pictures of Hawaiian elongated coins listed in his Token and Medal book. When Mr. Madcaff's new book is out, I'm sure Kazuma Oyama will let us know about it. By the way, Mr. Oyama gave me my second lesson in Japanese writing. One wrong move and you'll say the wrong word. Anyhow I'm learning.

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Al Kirka again spent some time in the hospital, but is now doing alright. His wife Sally was glad to see him home again. Sally said she was so lonesome, she sure did not feel like answering her mail. So welcome home Al.

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A belated Happy Birthday to Kazuma Oyama of Hawaii and also a Happy Birthday to Dottie Dow and to Harold Anderson.

NOTES OF INTEREST

The October issue of TEC NEWS may be mailed out a little later than usual, as Al and I will be in California and we do need a few days rest when we get home. As it is, while most of you are having a rest in June and July, Al and I will be working on TEC NEWS. We will be trying to get as much of the TEC NEWS typed up before we go to California. There won't be much rest between issues for us. So remember we also have to rest up from the trip to California, as we sure will need it when we get home.

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The California Collectors of Elongateds Club will hold their meeting August 25th and we're hoping some of the TEC members could stay over a day longer and visit at their meeting. I'm almost sure that's the date given me. So if you're staying a few extra days come on down and enjoy your visit with the C.C.E. members.

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I just want to say a word about Mr. Leonard Babin and his book. I put in the note about his book in TEC NEWS, he did not ask me too. At that time I didn't know if he had more books for sale or not. I also didn't know he would be swamped with letters for orders for his book. As of now he hasn't any more books available, so please do not write for any. Mr. Babin is a very busy man and not being a TEC member, all those letters came as a surprise to him. I was so pleased with my copy from him I thought he had more for sale and wanted the TEC members to know about it. Sorry Mr. Babin for having inconvenienced you at this time. Perhaps when he has more copies available, he will let me know.

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I think we all owe a special thanks to Lloyd E. Wagaman for the free supplement pages he made for his book and donated free to the members. A few stamps didn't cost us much to get his book and pages free. Most of us didn't even have to pay that. So thank you again Mr. Wagaman from all of us and I'm sure everyone will agree to that.

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Burton Neal Levy has made slides of elongated coins and will lend them out at a small fee to the different clubs that would like to use them. All clubs and members interested in borrowing these slides of elongated coins, please get in touch with him. I suggest you send him a S.S.A.E., when writing to him about the slides. He will then give you more information about this. I myself think this is a good idea, as this gives a member a better idea of elongated coins. His address is P.O. Box 59428, Chicago, Ill. 60645. Burt also was on T.V., as a telephone bid taker for WTTW Channel 11, Auction and Educational television station in Chicago. His son Ian saw him on T.V., but his wife and daughter didn't. Maybe next time Burt.

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The only elongated coins that Marvin Burnette needs now for his collection of the Louisiana Purchase Expo are, MOSLWF #3-#16-#20. Any help you readers can give him on this will be appreciated by him. Mr. Burnette hopes to write a book on the Louisiana Purchase Expo of all medals, tokens, badges and elongated items.

Marvin also exhibited his elongated coins at the Central States Numismatic Society's convention in Kansas City, Mo. on April, 25-26 and 27. For this exhibit he was awarded a second place.

NOTES OF INTEREST

Frank and Karla Galindo, two of our new members are doing all-right in exhibiting their elongated coins way down in Texas. One night I received a telephone call from Frank asking me for some advice on some of his coins for his exhibit. Now you don't get a call from Texas every night in Connecticut. So when Al asked who was on the phone and I answered a new member from Texas, I think we both jumped up when we realized that the call came from Texas. Keep up the good work Frank and Karla.

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Burton Neal Levy displayed and gave a talk and showed his slides at the Morton Grove Coin Club, at their March meeting. This was a nice program and was enjoyed by all. Its good to hear, when members give a talk about elongated coins.

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All TEC members who will be exhibiting at the ANA Convention in California, please write and let me know. TEC will also give an award for the best elongated coin exhibit of one of our TEC members. This award will be given out at the ANA meeting. You must be an ANA member to exhibit at the ANA convention.

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NOTICE FROM THE EDITOR

A camera ready ad set up means just that. It should be typed up with dark black ribbon and not in any other colors. A camera ready ad with writing all over it, is not camera ready as I still have to type your ad all over again. From now on, you will be billed for the full amount, for any camera ready ads I have to do over again.

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If a member has a question about these camera ready ads, please write to me. I will be glad to give you any help that I can.

NOTICE

When a TEC member doesn't pay his or her dues, they are dropped from the membership list on March 31st. A person can be reinstated, when ever they pay up their dues. If you pay your dues late you may miss out on the TEC NEWS, as when they are gone, that means gone. This rule goes for everyone and not just a few. This last time we sent out final notices to members and still some wrote in asking when their dues were due. You can start sending in your 1976 dues around October, or anytime. Dues are due January 1st and must be paid by the following March 31st. We now have about 20 TEC members that are dropped from the membership list for non-payment of dues. Three members have resigned as not being interested in collecting elongated coins any more. Two or three have moved and have left no forwarding address. The rest have either forgotten to pay, or else just don't want to belong anymore. For those of you who have paid, a special thank you to you all.

THE HERO, ME?

Seated in the park one day,
It was my luck to overhear,
Two people talking behind a bush,
Their words filled me with fear,

They were using a worded code,
Which, I'd tell you if I could,
But their use of words left no
doubt,
Their mission I understood.

One voice said, "You get Ships
No. 6,
I'll get the President too.
Then we'll fly to that guy in chi,
Cause he'll pay a lot if we do."

The other voice then said,
"I'd prefer a Cal-GGB, or an O.F.P,
But as long as he's willing to pay
Our work at least, won't be free."

I then heard NY-Pae, McKinleys
shot,
Boy, was I filled with despair.
I didn't take time to peek over
the bush,
To see who was seated there.

by O. Wilson Morgan TEC #183
Hernando, Fla.

I'd heard enough, so I turned
and ran.

To the police, which wasn't too
far.

Trying for glory, I blabbed out
my story,

Then we all hurried back in a
car.

We surrounded the area, with our
pistols drawn,
And at a signal, everyone rushed
in.

Thinking with dread of the com-
ing fight,

When the firing was sure to
begin.

You can imagine our chagrin,
When, among the elongates scat-
tered around,

We found Bob. Lloyd and Al,
All fast asleep, on the ground.

FLORIDA - THE SUNSHINE STATE

by Ruby Threlkeld TEC #202
La Marque, Texas

In August 1974 THE ELONGATED COLLECTORS held their official
meeting in Miami, Florida. Approximately 70 collectors of those
rolled coins were in attendance.

Since this was the first trip for many to the state of Florida
most spent a large part of their time sight seeing and enjoying the
tropical climate. Some went fishing in the blue waters along the
coast, others took boat rides, toured the old mansions or took in
the horse or dog races. Many others toured the so called jungles;
Parrot jungle, orchid jungle and monkey jungle. There was something
for everyone to do that was different.

Some have said, "Miami is like a smorgasbord, sample every-
thing and then come back for the main course, in whatever pleases
you most." The city has hundreds of churches, two JAI-ALIA frontons,
four dog tracks, three racehorse tracks and thousands of hotels and
motels. It may be noisy, brash and crowded, but to millions of
Americans it represents Florida. You can see the city by air, on
land or the sea and even rent a blimp to fly over everything.

Some of the beautiful elongated coins I brought home with me
were:- "GOLD COAST COIN CLUB", where coins spend the summer; Miami,
Florida. "WINTER HOME", of Thomas Edison; Fort Myers, Florida.-
"THE SUNSHINE SKY WAY", at Tarpon Springs; The spongers fishing off
the coast. "A TREASURE SHIP", hunting lost treasures at St. Peters-
burg, Florida. "BAY FRONT CENTER", home of Florida's finest coin
club. "BAL HARBOUR", Miami, Florida. This is where most of us
stayed during our stay in Florida. "JAI-ALIA", frontons, from Miami,
Florida.

A SECOND N.J. ELONGATED

by Jack Wilcox TEC #332
Brunswick, N.J.

The New Jersey Association of Letter Carriers 1075 Convention was to be held at Atlantic City, N.J. May 30 and 31 through June 1st. Bill Eldridge, our Branch #444 union president had previously asked after seeing my postal collection, if something could be made for the delegates in the way of a souvenir. On March 20th I mailed my check placing an order for 200 coins to L.P. Engravers, after being assured my design could be made and this order finished in time for the convention.

The fact Bob Luchtman okayed my rough design and solved the problems of the border by suggesting it look like the stamp perforations, made my decision to go ahead on my own final. The sample coin Bob so kindly airmailed the day he sent out the order arrived on April 11th. The order arrived on the 15th. For once the mail service was fast. However in all due respect, Bob Luchtman of L.P. Engravers deserves a special thanks for his prompt service.

I showed the sample elongated coin to Bill Eldridge and he liked the design, so when the order arrived I turned over 180 elongated coins to him to use at the convention, telling him he can reimburse me later. I bought 20 coins for my own use.

This is the second Postal N.J. Elongated coin design I've managed to come up with, perhaps sometime in the near future an idea for another will present itself. Seeing your design on the finished elongated coin really is a rewarding thrill and worth the small investment involved. TRY IT, YOU MAY LIKE IT.

WHY NOT ELONGATEDS?

by Carmen Ditttrich TEC #671
Upper Montclair, N.J.

Try this question on the next person who expects you to defend your choice of collecting interest. The only ones who seem to ask might well be described as "Numismatic Snobs". Their answers are highly predictable, not coins, no historic value, no investment value, etc. ad nauseum.

O.K.! So elongated coins ARE different and isn't that the whole point? A penny has looked the same to the casual observer for the past 66 years and will do so for the next nine, barring an act of Congress. An elongated cent - now there's a varied and interesting piece with designs, subject matter and messages (perhaps some day historic) to really catch the eye. The variety already exceeds in scope and imagination anything we may expect from coins and medals. Most of the elongateds are available at a reasonable cost

I am a new TEC member and have been collecting elongated coins for only a year or so. I would not presume to instruct older and wiser heads. I collect those things which give me pleasure and do not feel that I must be defensive about my choices. The article in The Numismatist caused me to search out TEC and I look forward to learning more about this hobby. It was good to see positive coverage in such a prestigious publication. Maybe people will stop asking "Why Elongateds?" As a local discount house TV commercial ends, "That's the story!"

NEW MEMBERS

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VISITING MORTON GROVE COIN SHOW

by Ron Swenson TEC #285
Whitmore Lake, Mich.

While I was visiting at the Morton Grove Coin Show, which was held April, 20 1975, at the Leaning Tower Y.M.C.A., Niles, Illinois. I picked up five sets of the clubs Christmas Greeting elongated coins. They were on 1974 pennies and silver dimes and were nice coins. As I am a member of the Morton Grove Coin Club, I have a few of the 1969 clubs elongated coins, such as ILL #3, which were made for their coin show which was held at the Leaning Tower Y.M.C.A. The 1969 elongated coin has on it the Leaning Tower, the building was built in Illinois. I'm not sure, but I think this coin was rolled by Lloyd E. Wagaman.

They also had an elongated coin rolled for the 10th annual coin show and these coins were rolled by Shel Greene in 1974. At the clubs April coin show, I bought about six of the Henry Blaha elongated coins. The Henry Blaha memorial exhibit award is made up as a silver award that Henry had won at the club for showing elongated coins. It had on it one of his store cards, which I gave for the award.

I also bought about 14 other elongated coins for my collection. The Queen of them all was the coin, 'The Pilgrims Landing 1620', the 1970 - 350th anniversary on a 1952 British half penny, which has a

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VISITING MORTON GROVE COIN SHOW

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ship on the other side. I'm very proud of this elongated coin, as I'm interested in ships. I will write more about ships or boats on elongated coins for another issue of TEC NEWS.

I exhibited my elongated coins at the club. Some of the elongated coins in my exhibit were from Gus Meccarello's brother Jack, his 1st 40 as in Lee Martin's book. A few other elongated coins I had were the Delta Queen elongated coin and the first steamboat on the Mississippi River 1811-1911 and many more

TEC MEETING IN LOS ANGELES

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

I hope you folks are getting ready for our TEC meeting, which will be held at the A.N.A. Convention in Los Angeles, California, at the Marriott Hotel on August 19-24, 1975. I hope those of you who are going have their hotel room reservation by now. We have and Al I are getting our things ready. We have been looking forward to going all year.

The A.N.A. has already been sending out registration cards for those that would like to pre-register for the convention. This helps a lot as you don't have to stand in line to get your ANA badge etc. Edwin Borgolte, a TEC member and also the general chairman of the convention wrote me that the Marriott Hotel is three minutes away by car from the airport. If you want a ride to the hotel at no charge, pick up the courtesy telephone, at the luggage area and they will pick you up and take you to the hotel.

There are also going to be three other hotels for anyone that doesn't get a room at the Marriott Hotel. There are many nice things that will be going on, so everyone should have a good time. I think most of us would like to go to Disneyland, or just look the city over. How about those members that live around there taking some of us around the city? Well, I was just hoping.

Our TEC meeting will hopefully be held on Friday afternoon August 22nd at 2 P.M. It would be better if members looked up the time and place on the A.N.A. bulletin board when you get to the hotel. I will also be around the lobby to let members know when our meeting will be held. Just look for the tired couple sitting in the lobby with the crowd around, or just yell Sally and I will answer. You'll also see Steve and Alice Penzes, Ruby Threlkeld, Richard Townserd, Chuck Strickland, Lloyd and Alberta Wagaman and Harold and Alice Anderson. Oh yes, Dottie Dow will be around too. Dottie has many things going for her, but always finds the time to stop by. So come on down folks and say hello to the TEC family. There will be many other TEC members around too. If you care to eat your meals with us, there is always room for one more. Most of the time everyone eats when they feel like it. No one seems to care what time it is. I truly can say, that we all enjoy meeting and talking with everyone. More than once we all stayed up half the night talking with friends.

Once the meeting is set, the meeting will start on the time set for us. Last year we had to get out so fast I still don't know if our meeting was finished. I was told we would be given more time this year, so we aren't rushed out in a hurry like we were last year.

So folks get ready, come by plane, car, train, bus or just walk in, but don't forget to come to our TEC meeting August 22nd, at the Marriott Hotel, in Los Angeles, California. See you all there.

THE 23rd PSALM, A SOURCE OF COMFORT AND STRENGTH

by Alberta Wagaman TEC #165
Camby, Indiana



During the time my husband, Lloyd Wagaman was engraving the die for the 23rd Psalm elongated coin, my dearest friend Jean Pieper's father passed away suddenly. Upon learning of the death, three of our friends from the Eli Lilly Company called and asked me to drive down to Nashville, Indiana. Its a town about 50 miles away to the funeral home, so we all went together instead of going individually.

On the way down, one friend asked if Lloyd was making any new elongated coins? I replied he was working on the 23rd Psalm to roll on half pennies. They just couldn't believe the 23rd Psalm could go on the coin and we had quite a discussion concerning this on the way down to the funeral.

At the service the minister read the 23rd Psalm, stating that it was Jean's mother's favorite scripture. During the reading of the scripture, each of my friends looked at me and shook their head in disbelief at the coincidence.

Needless to say Mrs. McGuire, Jean's mother got one of the first coins rolled of the 23rd Psalm, which came at a very sad time for her, but was a great comfort and strength, at a time she needed it most. Today Mrs. McGuire is in Japan visiting her service-man son and wife. That is a big accomplishment for a great lady, eighty one years of age. Her companion on this trip is the 23rd Psalm, her source of strength.

Our thanks to this great lady for making this elongated such a memorable one to so many of us and for instilling in us a desire to try to be as courageous as she, by believing in the words of this scripture, the 23 Psalm.

LOOKING AHEAD

by Harold Anderson TEC #483
Caro, Michigan

As I sit here writing this article on April 8, 1975, its snowing outside and so far we have 16 inches of snow. Some of you folks are lucky and live where its warm and never see any snow. Anyhow so much for that as I'm sitting here thinking of our nice trip to Los Angeles, California and of seeing all our TEC friends again at our TEC meeting. Alice and I have been saving all year to go to this ANA convention. Its going to be rough for some, but we hope many of our TEC and IOWMC friends can make it to California. We also hope to meet many new TEC members from the California area. So folks get ready for that big week in August. Lets have a nice turn out at our 9th annual TEC meeting.

I can bet many members are working on their exhibits for the convention. It is always good to see the elongated coin exhibits. So I hope we see more this year. Lets hope one of our TEC members will win an award from the ANA. So you that have some nice elongated coins, why not show them off.

I have taken in some very nice coin shows this past year and have found myself some good elongated coins. Maybe at the ANA convention the dealers will have many more, we can all buy. There's always someone who is lucky to find the one he is looking for.

Well we have an election coming up this year so it will be an

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exciting time for all of us. Then the president will be making all kinds of plans for our coming 10th anniversary next year in New York. It will be something to look forward to, for next year. Even though our TEC meeting this year isn't here yet, its nice to start thinking of our anniversary meeting in 1976.

Alice and I want to thank you all for the birthday cards we received from our TEC members. We both appreciate this very much. So take care my friends and we will see you all in California in August at the ANA convention.

A LETTER TO THE SECRETARY

by Lyle Brooks TEC #688
Ainsworth, Nebr.

I have never really been what you call an elongated coin collector. Then one day I saw a write up in Coin World about Lloyd E. Wagamans, past President Nixons elongated coins. As I read the article I thought I would like to have a set of these and ordered the set. Yes, I was lucky to get a set as I heard not to many were made and they are all sold out.

I later saw another article in Coin World about the 23rd Psalm. As I read this I thought of my Minister friend and I thought he would like to have one, so I ordered two from Lloyd Wagaman. I gave one to the minister and kept the other one for myself. When I received the coins from Lloyd Wagaman, he also sent me an application to join "The Elongated Collectors" and that is how I got started in collecting elongated coins.

I did join TEC as soon as I could. The secretary Al Kirka welcomed me into TEC and sent me my membership card, coin and my first issue of the TEC NEWS. I have been giving the TEC NEWS a good going over and have read it a few times now. I looked over the ads real good and especially Lloyd Wagamans large ad on the back page of our TEC NEWS in the last issue. So maybe the elongated coin bug has got me too, as I have to buy more of Lloyd Wagamans elongated coins.

I was collecting silver dollars, but I got started a little too late and the prices are a little to high for me lately, to buy what I want. So maybe the elongated coins are the thing for me. As I live in a small town I don't get to the big cities to the coin shows to buy any other elongated coins. So I will have to rely on TEC NEWS and other newspapers to help me get started. So far I have enjoyed my collecting of elongated coins very much.

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

Several errors have been noted in the recent supplement to Lloyd E. Wagaman's catalog. For accuracy please make the following corrections in your supplement, page 2 and 3 are in reversed positions. MISE #14a on page 2, should be listed MISE #14b. Correct issue date of CALIF. #5 is 10-21-73. Correct issue date of IND. #26 is 5-20-73. REL #4 had 10 pieces rolled on silver quarters, rather than 25 as listed.

If you do not have a copy of the above supplement pages, it is available free upon request from Lloyd E. Wagaman if you enclose 10¢ postage Thank you Lloyd for telling us of this error, I'm sure that all the members appreciate this. Rte. 1, Box 195-D, Camby, Ind. 46113.

OUR SALLY IS STILL AROUND

by David J. Singer TEC #423
Skokie, Illinois

I turned on the TV and there was Sally - yes, the same Sally Rand that gracefully flapped her ostrich fans and exposed some of her torso at the Century of Progress in 1933 and 1934 for the salary of \$6,000 a week, during the depression years.

Now, at the ripe age of 70, fit as ever she appeared on KUPS program, (Feb. 1975) and talked about her act that made her world famous, a fame that is still remembered.

I looked through my folder on Sally and find a cartoon of an elderly couple sitting on their rocking chairs and the words below the cartoon, "We've had a wonderful life together, Thaddeus. My only regret is that we never got to the Chicago World's Fair to see Sally Rand's fan dance."

Then a 1969 article and picture of Sally Rand tastefully demonstrating her technique in the Museum of the City of New York at the age of 65 still dancing. She donated two of her fans to the museum's theatrical section.

Then I have the elongated tie clip, an elongated of Sally and her fans in the Streets of Paris, Chicago 1933, given to me by Bob Callander. It's gold plated and brilliant, as if it were just made. (page 42 ILL-CPTE 67 Dottie Dow's book).

Of seven Street's of Paris roll-outs, one shows the streets of Paris ship and the night club building. This is followed by #66 and 66a, with a nude holding a large balloon. Before Sally introduced her famous fan dance, other dancers used a balloon. Then the #67 mentioned above. Number 68 and 69a (page 43) show a nude bending down with the Streets of Paris in the background. Number 69 shows the bow of the ship, Streets of Paris, World's Fair.

To the best of my knowledge, all of the Streets of Paris roll-outs were produced unofficially. They were not made and sold on the Chicago World's Fair grounds.

Sally was a smart business woman and her agent was at least her equal. Only one elongated operator dared to put the name Sally on the roll-out. Would she have approved? Would she have asked for a royalty? One of these days maybe I'll run into Sally Rand and ask her these questions.

Meanwhile, I sometimes think of Sally having seen her dance in a Chicago theatrical a year before the Chicago World's Fair opened. I did not see her perform in the Streets of Paris while I worked at the Fair. My job and hours made it impossible.

I can still hear the barker, "In the Columbian Exposition we had "Little Egypt" doing her titilating dance of the seven veils. Now come in folks and see Sally do her famous fan dance, the talk of Chicago World's Fair, you've never lived until you see Sally do her act. Step right up folks."

Sally is probably the first theatrical woman, the first living woman, the first nude, and the most celebrated person of the C.W.F. to be engraved on a penny.



Don't forget the deadline for the next issue is August 2nd for ads and the deadline for articles is August 6th. Send them in as soon as you can so I can have a few days rest the same as you folks do during the summer vacation. Remember while you are resting I'm working on your TEC NEWS. I'd like to see some of those members write a article for TEC NEWS, that have never done so before.

RESEARCH OF THE MACCABEES

by O. Wilson Morgan TEC #183
Hernando, Fla.

Having achieved success in my pursuit of the elongated cent and accompanying token of Soc-KOTM #1, (see article in TEC NEWS July-Aug.-Sept. 1974 page 8.) I was pleased to see on the bourse floor at the A.N.A. Convention in Miami, Florida, a plaque depicting the Maccabees of Ancient Times. This interested me so much I decided to do a little research into the name Maccabees.

As far as I can discover thru the help of five libraries (Ocala, Gainesville, Orlando, Inverness, St. Petersburg) and writing, not only to a professor friend of mine, but also to Port Huron and to Southfield, Michigan. The Maccabees were the princes of, or leaders of a heroic family or tribe. They rescued Judea from the tyranny of Antiochus Epiphanes, and rendered it independent for about a century.

The Semitic people, after a religious difference were driven westward and settled a land called Canaan. Two of the tribes moved further to the south and lived in Judah. From these tribes came the Maccabees and their great leader Judas Maccabaeus, after whom the organization was named.

I also found the Maccabees to be certain apocryphal books of the Old Testament, which give an account of Jewish affairs in the time of the Maccabean princes. The four books of the Maccabees are not a successive history, but an independent and partly parallel treatment of the same events.

There was no written language of the Hebrews, or Hibiris, as they were once called in the first 1000 years of this long period of their history. Any news historical or otherwise was carried by word of mouth by professional story tellers. By the time writing came into existence, stories which had remained vivid in their telling, had grown hazy in their association with time.

Now, data pertaining to the Knights of the Modern Maccabees. The lodge was founded in 1878 as a fraternal benefit society in London, Ontario, Canada and was named after Judas Maccabaeus and the princes.

The first lodge in the U.S.A. was at Port Huron, Michigan instituted in 1881. The plans of the original society were so faulty that business success was impossible, so the Michigan Society took over the lodge affairs.

Altho no proof is evident, the charter members of the lodge were thought to have been given a serial numbered medal. As quite a few of these round medals have come to light.

Before 1914 the lodge was known as the Knights of the Maccabees, but at this time the word Modern was added, to make the name as we now know it.

The lodge headquarters are at Southfield, Michigan, 25800 North Western Highway, 48075. The lodge has now almost a million members.

Don't forget, if you have never sent in an article before, why not give it a try now. Tell us about your favorite elongated coin or what made you start collecting elongated coins. When you write an article of 250 words, you still will receive a special coin for just writing the article. You cannot buy this coin, you must write an article to get it. Its well worth the try to write that article for TEC NEWS. So send it in today. Send it to the Editor, Mrs. Sally Kirka, 116 Oak Street, Manchester, Conn. 06040. If it doesn't make one issue it will be in the next one. Make sure your article is about elongated coins, or something to do with them.

HAPPY TO BE A MEMBER

by Ed Black TEC #359
Lakeland, Fla.

I'm sorry to say it has been a long time since I have written any item for the TEC NEWS. I think the last time was when we had two elongated coins made for the Northern Valley Coin Club in Demarest, New Jersey for that club's 2nd and 3rd anniversary. Many of the TEC members from New Jersey are good friends of mine. The Dadson's, the Wejnerts and John Izzo and family all belonged to our New Jersey Northern Valley Coin Club.

At this time I am writing you to say that I believe being a TEC member has helped me to get appointed to the U.S. ASSAY COMMISSION by President Ford for this year 1975. I used The Elongated Collectors, as one of the numismatic organizations I belonged to and to qualify for a nomination by Mrs. Mary Brooks, the director of the United States Mint.

I have attended all of the TEC meetings at the ANA Conventions since Alice Moon married Steve Penzes in St Louis, Mo., in 1970. We also attended her wedding. I have also been at the conventions in Washington, D.C., New Orleans, La., Boston, Mass. and Bal Harbour, Florida. I enjoy visiting each year with all my friends from TEC. We also meet a few more every year. My wife and I hope to see you all in Los Angeles, California. Time will fly by quickly from now on and we will soon be saying hello to each other.

I am now getting involved again by having some elongated coins made for our new club here in Lakeland, Florida. I will let you know more about them when we have them produced.

Keep up the good work in building up a great organization.

WANTED TO BUY

PLEASE Help Me Complete My Lloyd Wagaman Issues Collection!

I will pay \$4.00 for one of each of the coins listed below:

Lloyd's Numbers:

Fla. #3 1967 TEC Convention Badge
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Tex. #2 Texas Minature Coin
For. #2 Montreal Expo 67
For. #5a Queen Elizabeth 5¢ or 25¢
Soc. #8&8a TEC In Appreciation
Soc. #9 1972 TEC News
Soc. #13 TEC 1974 Promotional Coin
Soc. #14 TEC 1973 Award of Merit
Misc. #1 Ace in the Hole
Misc. #2 Queen of my Heart
Misc. #8a Men on the Moon, July 21st, 1969
Spec. #1 TEC Owl

I will pay \$10.00 each for one each of Ind. 22 Lucky Dollar and Pol. 4 In Memoriam JFK half dollar.

Please write before sending your coins.

Don Finch, P.O. Box 466, Visalia, Ca. 93277



(paid ad)

UNLISTED DIRECTORY - PART XII

by Bob Callander TEC #307
Nappanee, Indiana

- LAn.o 3c. / MARDI GRAS / NEW ORLEANS / 1938/. Similar to #3. Date changed to /1938/. Dotted border.
- O.cle 2a. Design verticle on coin with an eagle with wings outstretched in center. /135/ on breast of eagle and /1912/ above head. Around outside edge of design is /NATIONAL * CLEVELAND * CONVENTION /. To left of eagle is /AUG./ and to right is /4-10/. Below eagle is /F.O.E./ LUCKY/ CENT/. Rolled border

- MINminn 1. Rolled verticle on coin. Water falls in center with trees and rocks on both sides. Foot bridge over stream below falls. Wire border with dots outside wire. At bottom in place of dots is wording, /MINNEHAHA FALLS/.
- XXX 31. Design horizontal on coin. /HIT THE BEACH INVASION SHOW/ across top. Landing craft on beach in center with /1945/ above and /BUY MORE WAR BONDS/ below. Dotted border.
- SOCm.o. 13. Design horizontal on coin and on both sides: /GALT HOUSE/ AUGUST 27-30/ 1901/ KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CONCLAVE/. Plain edge. Reverse:/ARMOUR'S/DAINTY-DELICIOUS/CANNED MEATS/ PACKED IN AIR-TIGHT/ CANS/ CHICAGO/. Plain border.
- SOCm.o. 14. Rolled vertical on coin. Emblem of Blue Lodge in center. Above emblem are three heads of flowers. Below emblem is /F.& A.M/. Plain border.
- W.Vaxxx 1 Horizontal on coin. In center is outline of map of state of West Virginia, with date /1938/ to right of it. At top, inside border is /WEST VA. UNIVERSITY/. Below map is /ENGINEER'S SHOW/. Small circle around, "OW" of "SHOW". Wire border.
- N.Y.alb 1. Horizontal on coin. Design of capitol building in center. Above it is /* STATE CAPITOL */. Below building and along border is /ALBANY NEW YORK/. Wire border.
- O-GLE 7b. /GREAT LAKES EXPOSITION/. Design the same as unlisted 7a, except word /SOUVENIR/ is just under the picture.
- O-GLE 12a. /CLEVELAND, OHIO/ 1937/. Design identical to #12, except "1" of "1937" is under "V" of "Cleveland". No dashes before and after "1937".
- P & PC 24. Vertical on coin. /ALF M. LANDON/. Below is bust of Landon facing left. Below is /1936/. Dotted border.

If you have an elongated coin and can't find a listing on it send a foil or rubbing to Bob at the following address: - - - - -
Bob Callander, P.O. Box 71, Nappanee, Indiana 46550

CLASSIFIED ADS

Classified ads of up to four lines will be given free to all members. These four lines to include name and address. This ad must pertain to elongated coins or related items. Also same ad can be used only once.

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For Sale:- or trade: Hempstead, N.Y., 325th Ann., 1969, Garden City N.Y. Centennial 1969, and Hemis Fair 68. These are exclusive with me \$1.50 each or \$3.50 for set of 3. M. Pender, 148 Poplar St., Garden City, N.Y. 11530.

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Wanted:- Sincere collectors who appreciate the elongated coin hobby and want to promote it. For information send a S.A.S.E. to Midwest Elongated Collectors, c/o Burton Neal Levy, P.O. Box 59428, Chicago, Illinois 60659.

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Wanted:- Members listing of elongated coins for sale or trade and "Want lists". Doug Fairbanks, Sr., 5937 Beadle Drive, Jamesville, New York 13078.

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Wanted:- Elongated coins that pertain or relate to U.S. stamps. Rollers in this field, please include me on your approval list. Adam Kloczek, 561 E. 13th St., Eugene, Oregon 97401

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Wanted:- N.J. ac #1-#3-#4-#8- N.J. pat #1. Will buy or trade. John H. Wilcox, Letter Carrier Rte. #283, North Brunswick, N.J. 08902.

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For Sale:- Two new issues, elongated cents 75¢ each, on dimes \$1.25 each. Minuteman and Mariner 10. Pontiac Press, 35 Greenwich Ave., Warwick, R.I. 02886.

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Wanted:- Price lists of elongated coins, from various rollers. Also wanted 1967 and 1972 TEC convention badges. - - D. Roy Dillon, 1727 Waldo Drive, Ironton, Ohio 45638.

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Wanted:- Coins made by Lloyd Wagaman. They are, IND. #23, Poh. #6, Pol. #7, Pol. #9, Pol. #9a, Pol. #9b, Pol. #9c, Pol. #9d, Soc. #8, Soc. #8a, Soc. #11, Soc. #14 and Misc. #1. Bill Martin, P. O. Box 1411, Santa Ana, Calif. 92702.

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Wanted:- Address of any member of TEC that has moved or contemplates moving soon, please send your new address to TEC Secretary Al Kirka, 116 Oak St., Manchester, Conn. 06040.

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Wanted:- Old articles about TEC or its members for oue TEC archives. Also any pictures for TEC scrapbook. Please send to Ruby Threlkeld, 1023 Holly St., La Marque, Texas 77568.

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Free:- Any member wanting Lloyd E. Wagaman's Book on his coins, can have on request and enclosing postage of 16¢ for 3rd class, or 40¢ for 1st class mail. Write to Lloyd E. Wagaman, Route #1 - Box 195-D Camby, Indiana 46113.

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Notice:- All classified ads must br typed or printed clearly or they will not be put in. The mistakes you make are your own.

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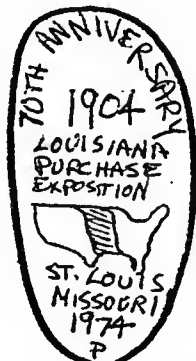
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Send 20¢ for lists of available elongateds

BEGINNERS HELP IS FOR THE ASKING

by Jack Wilcox TEC #332
North Brunswick, N.J.

Its nice to see our TEC membership growing with each new member listing in TEC NEWS. Welcome to our happy hobby ranks.

The shortage of the Dow book "The Elongated Collector" and Lee Martin's "Today's Elongateds" makes it rough on the new collector.

Making a rubbing of your elongateds so you can mail it out to an advanced collector for identification while corresponding, will prove well worth the effort. The secret of a good rubbing is to use a soft lead pencil, unlined paper and to hold the coin so it doesn't slip. Practice will do wonders! Trying to make a rubbing with the coin in a holder is next to impossible, for this reason, make your rubbing when you first obtain your elongated coin.

I'll be happy to identify any rubbings sent to me, (if you send a S.S.A.E. with your letter.) I have copies of the two elongated books mentioned above.

With the rapid growth of new issues each year the new collector may become discouraged. For this reason electing a theme to collect will perhaps stimulate interest that will be lasting. Your choice is almost unlimited. Some popular themes are, political, holiday, space, historical people, buildings, animals, flags, religious, just to name a few.

I've found using the 60 pocket stock books ideal for housing my theme collection. A good point to remember if you plan future displays is to use a staple in the holder. This also makes it easy if you wish to make second rubbings.

Remember help is for the asking and only a few stamps away.

THE FRUSTRATION OF A ROLLER

by Chester Rogers TEC #515
Leachville, Ark.

A lot of people do not know the frustration of a roller, they think that a 49¢ markup on a penny is a pretty good margin. Boy, how wrong they are. Without going into details of the cost of the die, plus monetary value of coins used, just the amount lost in setting up to roll a set composing of a penny, nickel, dime and quarter can go as high as ten dollars. This doesn't happen every time, but its very discouraging many times. For example I just finished rolling 25 sets of two different dies, the loss was eight dollars and twenty cents. Why "?" on dimes and quarters are the biggest loss? The dime is the smallest coin and yet it is hard to roll, on account of its width. The quarter is the hardest to do, the high spots and the low spots make it difficult to roll out. First you try the eight positions (octagon) using the head of the eagle pointing to each of the eight positions trying to find the right angle to feed the roller.

On these two dies I just ruined twenty quarters, (five dollars). This is the reason sometimes you get a quarter rolled so off center (not even), because thats the only way it can be rolled. So I hope the next couple dies come out a little better, with only a small loss. So we don't make much money, but we do have fun making them.

COINS DONATED

The free elongated coin you received with this issue of TEC NEWS were donated by Chester Rogers of Leachville, Arkansas. Thanx you kindly from the officers and members of TEC.